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Sentence in collision that killed Foxboro girl

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Aaron Fine, DOB 6-25-73, of Mansfield, has been sentenced to serve 2 months of a 2 year sentence in the House of Correction, the balance suspended for 6 years on charges stemming from the December 2, 2006 collision that took the life of Rose Shatz.

Judge Paul Chernoff ordered, as conditions of probation, that Fine undergo mental health counseling, abstain from driving for 4 months, have no contact with the family of the victim, and perform 600 hours of community service approved by the probation department.

The judge stayed the execution of the sentence for 14 days.

Following a jury-waived trial before Superior Court Judge Paul Chernoff, Fine was convicted May 22, of operating negligently and operating without a license, but acquitted of the lead charge of motor vehicle homicide by negligent operation.

The Commonwealth requested 2 years in the house of correction, one year to serve, the balance suspended for 10 years of supervised probation with conditions of probation that he not drive a motor vehicle, not apply for or obtain a license to drive a motor vehicle during that probation and perform 1,000 hours of community service.

A Norfolk County Grand Jury issued three criminal indictments against Aaron Fine (DOB 6-25-73) on Wednesday January 24, 2007:

- 1.Motor Vehicle Homicide / Negligent Operation
- 2.Operating a Motor Vehicle without a license
- 3.Negligent Operation of a Motor Vehicle

Ten-year-old Rose Shatz was riding her bicycle in the vicinity of her Willow Street home on Dec. 2, 2006 . The Judge found that Fine was driving a landscaping truck, owned by his family company, negligently and without the proper license for the size of the truck when he struck and killed Shatz, but Fine was acquitted of Motor Vehicle Homicide.

Any and all defendants mentioned are legally innocent until proven guilty.